LISTING OF PENDING CLAIMS

- 1 (ORIGINAL). A retractable and self-orienting card holder comprising:
 - a) a housing and a circular cavity, having a broad-faced top and bottom, and a side with a tape-orienting slot therein;
 - b) a longitudinally flexible and laterally stiff tape coiled within the cavity and passing through said slot, said tape having a central end affixed within the housing and a peripheral end external to the housing, and said tape having a cross-sectional long and short axis and dimensioned to pass snugly through the slot;
 - c) a means for attaching a card to the peripheral tape end which maintains a fixed orientation of the card to the tape; and,
 - d) a coil spring with a first end affixed to the housing a second end affixed to the tape such that the spring loads when the tape is withdrawn from the housing and dissipates as the tape withdraws into the housing.
- 2 (ORIGINAL). The card holder of Claim 1 in which the card face is held substantially parallel with the housing face.
- 3 (ORIGINAL). The card holder of Claim 2 in which the tape is twisted by a series of slots within the housing and exiting the housing with the long axis of the tape substantially parallel to the housing face.
- 4 (CURRENTLY AMENDED). A retractable and self-orienting card holder comprising:

- a) a housing with a flat circular cavity, having a broad-faced top and bottom, and a side with a tape-orienting slot therein:
- b) a circular [[rotable]] <u>rotatable</u> spool fitted within the circular cavity, said spool having a circumference track and a central core adapted to accommodate a coiled spring;
- c) a longitudinally flexible and laterally stiff tape coiled upon the track of the spool and passing through said slot, said tape having a central end affixed to the spool and a peripheral end external to the housing, said tape having a cross-sectional long and short axis and dimensioned to pass snugly through the slot;
- d) a means for attaching a card to the peripheral tape end which maintains a fixed orientation of the card to the tape; and,

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- e) a coil spring with first and second ends located within the central core of the spool, the first end affixed to the housing and the second end affixed to the spool
- such that the spring loads when the tape is withdrawn from the housing and dissipates as the tape withdraws into the housing.
- 5 (ORIGINAL). The card holder of Claim 4 in which the card face is held substantially parallel with the housing face.
- 6 (ORIGINAL). The card holder of Claim 5 in which the tape is twisted by a series of slots within the housing and exiting the housing with the long axis of the tape substantially parallel to the housing face.

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